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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	)	Group Art Unit: 1631
Richard A. Thomas	)	
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Serial No: 10/611,658	)	Examiner: Unassigned
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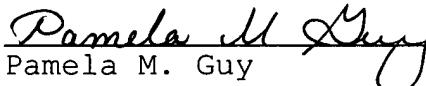
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